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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND .....$ 5,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS...$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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MANAGER:
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [31

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital .....£ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
H. Stolterfoht, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [7

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID-UP .....£ 562,500

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....4 per cent.
" 6 " .....3½ "
" 3 " .....2½ "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [8

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £325,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2½ per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" " " 6 " ... 3½ "
" " " 3 " ... 2½ "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [53

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

DURING my Temporary Absence from the Colony, Mr. K. KIYOOKA, Sub-Manager, will TAKE CHARGE of this OFFICE.
By Order,
H. U. JEFFRIES,
Manager.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [633

NOTICE.

MR. GEORGE HUTTON POTTS has been admitted a PARTNER in our FIRM as from This Date. The Style of the Firm will henceforth be BENJAMIN, KELLY and POTTS.
BENJAMIN & KELLY.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [603

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. I. CHRISTIAN SOPHUS OSCAR VON DER HEYDE in our Firm CEASED from the 29th February last.
CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1896. [569

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned beg to notify the Public that we have This Day PURCHASED from Messrs. WING CHEONG & Co. the STOCK-IN-TRADE, FIXTURES and GOODWILL of their BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and SHIPCHANDLERS, and the Business will be conducted from this 18th day of February, 1896, as heretofore.
FOOK CHEONG & Co.,
No. 44, Praya Central.
AH YOU,
Managing Partner.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [399

Insurances.

THE STANDARD

is one of the LARGEST and BEST KNOWN of the BRITISH LIFE OFFICES.
FUNDS exceed EIGHT MILLIONS STERLING.
ANNUAL REVENUE OVER ONE MILLION STERLING.
For Forms of Proposal and every information,
Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896. [464

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED $1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.
CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894 [247

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 EQUAL TO $833,333-33
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TEO SHUN, Esq.
MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.
HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [43

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

IN consequence of the SCORING CARDS of the WINNERS in the LADIES' COMPETITION not having been handed in to me, I regret that the Names of the successful Competitors cannot yet be published.
If the Lady Winners will kindly RETURN their SCORE CARDS to me, their Names shall be duly entered upon the official list.
F. SMYTH,
Honorary Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [635

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Nos. 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 11th day of April next, at NOON.
Dated Hongkong 31st March 1896.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
597] General Managers.

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S DEPOT, Wyndham Street, at NOON, on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, to consider whether the Company shall be wound up or reconstructed.
By Order of the Board,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896 [619

WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.

BEECHAM'S PILLS

FOR ALL BILIOUS AND NERVOUS DISORDERS SUCH AS SICK HEADACHE, CONSTIPATION, WEAK STOMACH, IMPAIRED DIGESTION, DISORDERED LIVER, AND FEMALE AILMENTS.
ANNUAL SALE SIX MILLION BOXES.
50 Cents per Box.
Prepared only by the Proprietor:—
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SOLE AGENTS for HONGKONG and the EMPIRE of CHINA:—
WATKINS & CO.,
APOTHECARIES' HALL, 66, Queen's Road Central,
HONGKONG. [56

TO SHIPMASTERS.

ENQUIRE where your FRESH WATER is obtained by the Water Boats; as FOUL WATER is the cause of much sickness on board Ship.
We are the only Water-Boat Company in Hongkong exclusively Supplying FILTERED WATER.
Call Flag "W."
J. W. KEW & Co.,
STEAM WATER-BOAT Co.,
18, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 7th October, 1895. [56

MEE CHEUNG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN *Ice-House Road.*

IS now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.
GROUPS AND VIEWS a specialty.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1894. [43

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON, &c.	*Kaisar-i-Hind*	C. L. Daniel	Noon, 9th April	See Special Advertisement.
JAPAN, &c.	*Ancona*	W. D. Mudie	Noon, 10th April	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)
LONDON	*Shanghai*	J. Cowie, R.N.R.	About 18th April	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI	*Ravenna*	E. Street	About 19th April	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [431

THE CLUB HOTEL, 5, *BUND, YOKOHAMA.*

HOTEL METROPOLE, 1, *TSUKIJI, TOKYO.*

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.
The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggages and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.
VISITORS have the option of messing either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.
Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.
THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.
E. V. SIOEN, Manager, *YOKOHAMA.* | L. DEWETTE, Manager, *TOKYO.* [160

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY,
Nos. 11, 13 and 15 Central Market.
TRY OUR.
VEAL SAUSAGES 25 Cents per ℔.
BOLOGNA SAUSAGES 50 Cents per ℔.
SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.
J. TATAM,
Hongkong, 12th February, 1895. Proprietor. [49

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG, A. B. C. Code. | TELEPHONE, No. 35.

THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUEEN'S ROAD.
TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.
ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.
For further Particulars apply to
THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895 [28

THE PHARMACY.
TANSAN, TANSAN,
TANSAN.
This refreshing and invigorating Table Water contains 8 per cent. more IRON CARBONATE than any Water from similar Spas.
Sole Agents for HONGKONG and SOUTH of CHINA:—
FLETCHER & CO. and CARMICHAEL & CO.
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MONTHLY RATES FOR MEALS AT H.K. HOTEL.

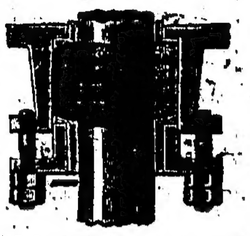
BREAKFAST	$12.00
TIFFIN	15.00
DINNER	18.00
ALL 3 MEALS	42.50

KELLY & WALSH, LD.
AMERICAN SQUEEZER
PLAYING CARDS.
PLAIN AND GILT EDGED.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [6

Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG HOTEL—PRAYA.

Sole Eastern Agents for
SPHINCTOR GRIP ARMOURED HOSE.
SNOWDON, SONS & Co. "SNOWDRIFT" MANUFACTURER.
THE NEW WIRE WOVE ROOFING Co.
THE ALUMINIUM AND GENERAL FOUNDRY Co.



BELL'S METALLIC and ASBESTOS PACKINGS are unequalled for both Compound and Triple Expansion Engines.
COTTON PARAGON PACKING, TUCK'S PACKING and all kinds of jointings kept in stock.
SPECIALLY MADE CLOTH FOR FILTERS. ENGINE AND CYLINDER OILS.
W. JACKSON, Manager.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [30

NOTICE.

TRADE MARK. 源和行 *Hong Name:—* YUEN WO.
TELEPHONE, No. 135.

We have REMOVED to the more Commodious Premises No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

GANDE PRICE & CO.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1896. [420

OUR GREAT AIM IS TO SUPPLY OUR CUSTOMERS WITH THE VERY BEST ARTICLE AT A LOW PRICE.
THAT IS WHY WE ARE INTRODUCING
BRAUN'S "EXPORT" BEER
PRICE:—
$10.50 per Case of 6 dozen Pints. $12.50 per Case of 4 dozen Quarts.
Cash on Delivery.
THE SEATTLE BREWING & MALTING CO., CHINA-JAPAN AGENCY.
Head Office:—8, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong.
For price and terms, apply to
THE MANAGER.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1896. [191b

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE.
JASTRAM'S PATENT
GOLDEN MEDAL
PETROLEUM ENGINES
OF 2 TO 12 H.P.
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.
WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.
Consumption of Petroleum 1 ℔. per H.P. and Hour.
A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P. Engine will be shown and full particulars be given on application.

NOISELESS. SMOKELESS.
SCHEELE & CO., HONGKONG,
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.
47] NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

FOR SALE.
G. H. MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.
In cases of 2 doz. pints .....$35 per case.
do 1 " quarts .....$35 "
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [33

SHERRIES.

TRADE MARK. ESTD. 1884. TELEPHONE—75.

	PER DOZEN.
OLOROSO, red seal (*fine nutty golden*)	$15.00
AMONTILLADO, white seal (*choicest dry*)	$20.00
SOLERA, yellow seal (*fruity golden*)	$20.00
SOLERA, black seal (*a very dark fruity wine, vin. 1880*)	$25.00
AMOROSO, green seal (*rich golden*)	$30.00

The above stand in the first rank of after dinner SHERRIES and have been specially selected by our London house at very low prices for wines of such quality.
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. 39

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.
SHIPCHANDLERY DEPARTMENT.
SIR CHAS. PRICE & Co.'s ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
ENGLEBERT'S CYLINDER OIL.
CRANE'S CYLINDER OIL.
VALVOLINE, CASTOR OIL, &c., &c.
TUCK'S GENUINE PATENT PACKING.
ASBESTOS PACKINGS of all kinds.
PARAGON PATENT PACKING.
ROPE, CANVAS, &c.
HUBBUCK'S PAINTS and VARNISHES.
HOLZAPFEL'S PATENT COMPOSITION, ANTI-CORROSIVE and ANTI-FOULING, for STEEL VESSELS.
SOAPSTONE ENAMEL COMPOSITIONS for Holds, Bunkers and Top-sides.
FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [175

To-day's Advertisements.

CITY HALL.

WILLARD OPERA COMPANY,
Last Nights.
To-night (Wednesday), 8th, GENTLEMAN JOE.
(Mr. SHERIDAN as the HANSOM CABBY.)
To-morrow (Thursday), 9th, DANDY DICK WHITTINGTON. [621

GEORGE FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that during my Temporary Absence from the Colony, Mr. WILLIAM G. WINTERBURN has been appointed ACTING GENERAL MANAGER of the above FIRM.
By Order,
GEO. FENWICK,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [637

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

DURING my Temporary Absence from the Colony, Mr. E. W. MAITLAND will ACT as SECRETARY.
By Order of the Board,
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [638

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TAIWANFOO AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship
"PAKHOI,"
Captain Stott, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 9th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [624

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)

THE Company's Steamship
"ULYSSES,"
Captain Grier, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 9th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [620

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship
"MARIA VALERIE,"
Captain A. Fellner, will leave for the above places on TUESDAY, the 14th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [641

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship
"ZAFIRO,"
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at 5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [639

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Captain G. A. Tayler, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 15th instant, at 5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is fitted with the Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [640

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA.
RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. [427

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES
AND
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS,
with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [5

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 1896.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE MASSACRE IN MATABELELAND.

LONDON, April 6th.

The *Times* states that two hundred Whites were killed in the recent massacre in Matabeleland.

THE UNITED STATES AND CUBA.

The Washington House, by a large majority, has approved of the report of the Mixed Committee in favour of the Senate's resolution urging the recognition of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents.

[*From Tonkin Papers.*]

THE RESIGNATION OF M. BERTHELOT.

PARIS, March 28th.

The reason advanced for the resignation of M. Berthelot (Minister for Foreign Affairs) is the unsatisfactory state of the health of his family.

[On the 31st ultimo Reuter wired out that M. Berthelot had resigned and had been succeeded by M. Bourgeois.]

THE NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF INDO-CHINA.

On embarking for Saigon at Toulon yesterday General Dodds was cheered to the echo.

THE CABINET.

PARIS, March 31st.

M. Sarrien has accepted office as Minister of the Interior.

MORE RUSSIAN ASSURANCES.

The Russian Press reiterates its assurances that France can safely reckon on the co-operation of Russia on the question of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition to Dongola.

[Later news is to the effect that France and Russia, and finally Germany, have waived all opposition to the Dongola expedition, respecting the expenses of which they at first refused to sanction the use of the funds of the Caisse de la Dette—the moneys administered by the International Commission for liquidating the Egyptian debt.]

TYPHOON WARNING.

THE FIRST "BREEZE" OF THE SEASON.

Senor José de Navarro, Spanish Consul at this port, has courteously favoured us with a copy of the following telegram, received from Manila:—

"BINONDO, April 7th, 7.45 p.m.

"There is a depression to the East of Luzon in the Pacific."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ELEVEN cases of plague to-day.

A MEETING of the Sanitary Board will be held to-morrow at 4.15 p.m.

THE proprietor of the Western Hotel was this morning fined $10 at the Police Court for wasting "Adam's Ale."

ONE of a gang of three men alleged to have been fleecing women by means of the roll of bogus bank notes trick, was this afternoon committed for trial at the next Sessions.

MR. E. JEROME DYER, Special Commissioner of the Government of Victoria, writes us from Bangkok calling attention to the fact that he does not represent the Government of New South Wales and did not represent that colony when in the Far East in 1894, statements to the contrary notwithstanding. He is now probably on his way back to Melbourne and, as his many friends in the East will be glad hear, expects to be in Japan at a comparatively early date, calling at Hongkong while *en route* to the Land of the Rising Sun.

A FEW days ago Mr. H. E. Kempthorne, the Manager of the New Zealand Insurance Co. in Shanghai, was entertained at dinner by a number of insurance and other friends to bid him farewell on the occasion of his leaving Shanghai for Calcutta, where he has been appointed Manager for his company. Mr. W. D. Little occupied the Chair and Mr. F. J. Such the vice-Chair. The proceedings were, according to our Shanghai morning contemporary, of a very enjoyable nature, and after the popularity and good qualities of the guest of the evening had been suitably borne witness to by the Chairman, a very cordial welcome was extended to his successor, Mr. R. Lomas Smith.

ON the 2nd instant Mr. Adolph Spitzel, of Messrs Louis Spitzel & Co., appeared before Mr. J. R. Jernigan, United States Consul-General, Shanghai, in response to a summons charging him with assaulting Mr. F. F. Ferris, the Editor of the *Sinwanpao*, a Chinese newspaper published at Shanghai. Mr. McNeill prosecuted and defendant appeared in person and pleaded "not guilty." It transpired in evidence that defendant and his firm had on several occasions been maligned in complainant's paper; that he had requested the complainant to desist, and notwithstanding this he persisted in annoying him. Defendant therefore, in company with a Mr. Markwick, went to complainant's house and when the latter came home accosted him. An altercation ensued, during which Mr. Spitzel gave Mr. Ferris a couple of black eyes. The Consul held that Mr. Ferris was as guilty in provoking the blow as Mr. Spitzel in giving it. He was disposed to be governed by the view taken by the doctor, namely, that it was an affair which should have been settled outside. As it had been brought before the Court he would decide it by fining Mr Spitzel one dollar and costs.

A QUARTERLY communication of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on the 4th ultimo, Major Allan, Glasgow, Deput Grand Principal, presiding. The Grand Scribe submitted a unanimous nomination by chapters in the Province of Companion the Hon. Charles M. Ramsay, Brechin Castle, as Grand Superintendent of Angus and Mearns, and a recommendation by the Supreme Committee in his favour. The Supreme Chapter thereupon unanimously appointed in terms of this recommendation. Companion Ramsay, who was presented, intimated his acceptance of office, and in thanking the Supreme Chapter, said he would use his utmost endeavour for the Royal Arch within the two counties. A charter was granted to a chapter in Glasgow to be named the Plantation Chapter. Warrants were granted to the following mark lodges:—Canadian, No. 34; Melbourne, No. 35; and Bendigo, No. 36, Victoria. On the recommendation of the Supreme Committee, the following were nominated as the grand office-bearers for the current year:—The Earl of Haddington, Grand First Principal; Major F. W. Allan, Depute Grand First Principal; C. C. Nisbet, Grand Second Principal; J. MacNaught Campbell, Glasgow, Grand Third Principal; R. S. Brown, Edinburgh, Grand Scribe E.; James A. S. Kerr, Glasgow, Grand Scribe N.; John Maclachlan, Grand Treasurer; James Melville, Edinburgh, Grand Recorder; Sir James Gibson Maitland, Grand Chancellor; James Simpson, Edinburgh, Grand First Sojourner; William Munro Denholm, Grand Second Sojourner; W. Ivison Macadam, Grand Third Sojourner; the Earl of Rosslyn, Grand Sword Bearer; William Black, Grand Director of Ceremonies; Alexander A. Speirs, Grand Depute-Director of Ceremonies; P. L. Henderson, Grand Superintendent of Works; W. W. Newton, Grand First Standard-Bearer; J. A. Trevelyan Sturrock, Grand Second Standard-Bearer; George Hay, Grand Janitor. The following were appointed members of the Supreme Committee:—Companions William Black, P.L.G. Henderson, Robert Macdonald, Alexander Bruce, and John Carruthers.

H.M.S. *Alacrity* was due at Swatow, from Hongkong, to-day.

THE stirring chimes of the fire-bells resounded throughout the colony at 4 o'clock this morning, owing to a fire in a family residence at No. 13 Wing Wo Lane. The second and third floors of the palatial edifice were completely destroyed. The cause of the "blaze" is unknown. The lessee of the place was at Kowloon last night, and on his return couldn't find his insurance policy, for $1,000, and didn't know by whom or in what office it had been issued—although he brought his head back with him from the evil-smelling cluster of huts over the way which the Chinese are so fond of alluding to as a city.

ALAS! ALAS! Mr. John Kennedy, the well-known dairyman and genial proprietor of the Horse Repository, is not yet smashed. The demand for his milk is reported to be greater than ever, and so far from showing any inclination to reduce prices with a view to keeping his head above water the old chap is believed to be actually contemplating a rise of five *cash* per bottle with a view to making good the costs incurred in connection with the "bout" he had in the Police Court the other day with Inspector Cotton. To-day Mr. Kennedy, nothing daunted by recent serious (very serious!) events, landed from the Australian liner *Menmuir* a dozen splendid milch cows, all in magnificent condition, and procured, regardless of cost, from the best breeders of Jerseys, Devons and Ayrshires.

THE Sanitary Authorities, in view of the increased number of cases of plague at the end of last week, have increased their staff of special service men for cleansing houses in the immediate vicinity of those in which cases of plague occur, and have also organised five house-to-house search parties. This special work is done by ten constables, and five non-commissioned officers and 35 privates of the Royal Engineers and Rifle Brigade. Two cleansing parties work on one of the eight districts of the city, beginning on opposite sides, and in four or five days clean out every house in the district needing it. Many of the Chinese apply to be allowed to cleanse and whitewash at their own expense, which is granted in most cases, but it is found that the renovation is not nearly as thorough as if done by the "Whitewash Brigade." The house-to-house visitations are so arranged that every Chinese house will be visited at least once a week to see that there is no disease and that they are kept clean, and in localities from which cases are taken, visits will be paid oftener.

TWO or three days ago there glided gracefully through the Ly-ee-mun Pass and thus into this far-famed haven of safety (except when typhoons come within striking distance) the world-renowned record-breaking American schooner *Retriever*. She hails from "The Land of Oyoochisan;" her last port of call being Naps, in Okinawa Island, one of the Loochoo Group. The *Retriever* is a vessel of 75 tons register; she is commanded by Captain L. D. Walls, who visited this port years ago when commanding one of the Pacific Mail Co.'s flash liners; the Chief Officer is Mr Brennan, a "way up" sailorman; and in addition to these she carries a carpenter and six seamen. She left Yokohama bound for the Loochoos and Borneo a long time ago, before Capt. Walls took charge, but something went wrong and she had to put back to Yokohama, and right glad all hands were to fetch up once more in that port. It was said that the owners of the *Retriever* (Messrs J. A. Wilder and L. L. Eizel and Doctors H. M. Hiller and W. M. Furness) found it hard to tear themselves away from the many attractions of Yokohama, and therefore caused the skipper to put back, but there is not (so the ship's cook says) a vestige of truth in the allegation, and of this there cannot, it may reasonably be believed, be any probable or possible shadow of doubt whatever. A second start was effected on the 11th ultimo, and although terrific gales were encountered yet the little vessel braved all the dangers of the deep and ultimately reached Hancock Bay (North Loochoos), where a very pleasant time was spent. This portion of these little known islands having been thoroughly explored by the owners, who are on a tour of research and scientific discovery the anchor was weighed and the course set for Naps. Arrived there the officials were found extremely courteous—the Japanese Government's introduction sufficing to smooth the way for very interesting trips about the island—and after killing scores of beetles, flies, snakes and lizards, and having collected about half a ton of very curious curios, including a photo of the oldest and ugliest native of the place, the *Retriever* again spread her snow-white wings to the breeze, and bounding like an "ocean-greyhound" o'er the raging main, creaking and trembling and rolling and pitching and threatening to break in a thousand pieces at the foot of some huge billow, she came within hail of Ly-ee-mun fort where, owing to nightfall, the anchor was dropped. Now all was lively on board. The pussy-cat mewed, the Chinese cook barked, the Doctor came on deck with his banjo and sang like an angel until all the owners rolled up and joined him in singing the chorus of "The Star-spangled Banner"—and, of course, "Rule Britannia." Then the boatswain piped all hands to grog and there was a rush for the rum vat and, strange to say, there was no rum left in it so the "wine-bibbers" had to fall back on the good old lime juice and smile and look happy while the I.O.G.T. gentlemen drank their flowery Pekoe in peace. The next morning the anchor was weighed and the *Retriever* entered the port and anchored in Kowloon Bay. At first it was intended to have the vessel thoroughly overhauled by the Dock Company, but now the owners are reported as intending to sell her and either buy or build a more suitable schooner at Singapore, wherewith to visit Borneo and the Philippines. The new vessel will be christened *Eureka*.

TWO very prominent actors in the Cuban rebellion have been General Antonio Maceo and his brother José. They landed near Baracoa on March 31st, 1895, and when the news of their arrival was heard men who had hitherto hesitated to support the insurgents at once began to join the army. Since then the Spaniards have killed both the Maceos more than once—in their official reports—but the brothers themselves have refused to be convinced upon this subject, and at date of last accounts from Frisco (14th March) were acting with uncommon liveliness for dead men. The Maceos are twins.

ON Monday a number of members of the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders entertained Mr. G. Fenwick, the Manager of the well-known firm of Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd, at dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, Mr. R. Cooke in the chair. The occasion for the function was the approaching departure for England of the guest of the evening, who has always evinced great interest in the Institute. After the dinner and the usual loyal toasts, Mr. Fenwick's health was proposed, heartily received, and ably responded to. Then the usual further toasts were duly honoured, the proceedings terminating most enjoyably with songs and recitations, winding up, of course, with "Auld Lang Syne" by the Company. As will be seen by an advertisement in another column Mr. W. G. Winterburn, the Gillies' Gold Medallist of the Institute, has been left in charge of the business of Messrs Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., during his popular Chief's absence.

THE Commander-in-Chief's Office in Formosa has adopted the Sugar Tax Regulations, and were put in operation on March 1st. They consist of 21 articles. All manufacturers, middlemen and transporters of sugar are bound to obtain licenses for their business. The fee for a license is 20 *sen*. Each manufacturer has to pay 3 yen a year on each mill. The scale of the tax on sugar is 35 *sen* per 100 catties of white sugar and 30 *sen* on brown sugar. It is, says the Yokohama *Advertiser*, provided that when sugar is exported the tax paid on it shall be returned on the production of a Customs' landing certificate from the port of destination. Any person who shall without license carry on the business of manufacture, transport and brokerage of sugar shall be liable to a fine of from 5 yen to 50 yen, the sugar on hand being confiscated, and money being collected for the sugar disposed of. Any person who shall carry away sugar from a factory without due permit from the authorities shall be liable to a fine of from 10 yen to 100 yen, no matter who may be the owner of the sugar.

MEMORANDA.

WEDNESDAY,—8th April.

9.10 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

THURSDAY,—9th April.

Hankow Races begin.
11 a.m.—English Mail closes.
Noon.—*Kaiser-i-Hind* sails for London.
4.15 p.m.—Meeting of the Sanitary Board.
9.10 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

FRIDAY,—10th April.

5.15 p.m.—Lecture by Mr. W. E. Crow at the Odd Volumes Society's Rooms.
5.30 p.m.—Emergency Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

SATURDAY,—11th April.

Noon.—Meeting of shareholders of Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd., at the Company's offices, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.
Noon.—Meeting of shareholders of the Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., at the Company's Depôt, Wyndham Street.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of household furniture, etc., at Mr. G. P. Lammert's sales rooms, Duddell Street.

SUNDAY,—12th April.

Noon.—*Tacoma* will leave for Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, *via* usual ports of call.

MR. E. JEROME DYER AND HIS JAPANESE DETRACTORS.

Mr. E. Jerome Dyer writes to us (the *Kobe Herald*) as follows from Bangkok, under date 26th February:—"The charges made by the *Chuo* are *one and all* grossly untrue and maliciously libellous. They are, moreover, cowardly and vindictive, and I beg to assure you that I will not rest until I have called this scandal to Japan to stern account for its slanderous utterances. I will be in Japan for this purpose. As the charges are absolutely untrue I will not refer to them separately—leaving this to a later legal stage—but I would like to say that many were known to be untrue by the Tokio Foreign Office, and the Department of Commerce and Agriculture—where my credentials were seen. I am surprised the *Chuo* was not called upon officially to contradict its statements. Even now I am in Bangkok upon an important mission for my Government, and I am still writing for the Melbourne *Argus*. Were I an "untrustworthy adventurer", this would not be. When I visit Japan I will—much as I regret the necessity—produce my banker's opinion as to my impecuniosity. I was never a clerk in the *Tribune* office. I never even hinted that I had had an audience with the Emperor of Japan. I *was* instrumental in starting a company to assist in developing trade with Japan, and this company is thriving well, as many in Kobe, Osaka and Tokio can prove. I never reviled Japan and the Japanese, for—as you know—in all my addresses to the Melbourne Chamber of Commerce and other bodies and in my newspaper articles I did just the opposite. I was and still am a member of the Melbourne Chamber of Commerce. I have no time and do not wish to worry you with further denials, but will leave them to the later stage above mentioned."

It is, says the Kobe paper, gratifying to note that Mr. Dyer does not intend to allow the *Chuo Shimbun's* grossly libellous statements to pass unchallenged. Whether this gentleman fully realizes the difficulties that will beset him in prosecuting his case in the Japanese Courts the *Herald* very much doubts. The case will be interesting and instructive. Mr. Dyer is now probably on his way to Melbourne, whither he goes to procure the wherewithal to prosecute the offending journal and to procure certain affidavits relative to the case.

MR. WHITEHEAD AND THE COMMUNITY.

The following copies of correspondence which has passed between the Hon. T. H. Whitehead and Messrs Dodwell and Playfair, as representing the Community, will doubtlessly greatly interest our readers:—

Hongkong, January 20th, 1896

Sir,—We have very much pleasure in handing you the accompanying address of welcome from your fellow colonists, which sufficiently speaks for itself, without further comment from us.

Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) GEO. B. DODWELL.
(Sd.) GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

To the Honourable T. H. Whitehead.

THE ADDRESS.

To The Honourable
Thomas Henderson Whitehead,
Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, Hongkong.

Sir,—We, the undersigned Residents in Hongkong, beg to offer you a very hearty welcome on the occasion of your return among us.

We are well aware of the immense amount of time and trouble which, during your stay in England, you devoted to furthering the interests of the Colony.

You left here on a well earned holiday, but as your energies were given up during almost the whole of that period to public work in our behalf, we wish not only to tender you our thanks, but also to convey to you how highly we appreciate the able manner in which you dealt with the subject of extended local self-Government, and the more intricate subject of the Trade of the Far East.

We believe that your speeches and publications will bear fruit at no distant date; and we hope that you may continue to interest yourself in the public affairs of the Colony so long as we have the privilege of counting you among our fellow-citizens.

[Here follow 280 signatures.]

Hongkong, 31st March, 1896.

Dear Sirs,—Your letter of 20th January last, handing me an address of welcome from my fellow-residents, was duly received, but pressure of business has, I greatly regret, unavoidably prevented my sooner acknowledging its receipt.

The Community's cordial expression of thanks, and appreciation of my efforts when in England on behalf of the Colony, and endeavours to obtain for the people their right to have some share in the administration of their communal affairs, are deeply gratifying. They were specially acceptable at the time of their receipt, as I had then been subjected to what, I am sorry to say, appeared to me and to many others, to be a deliberately prepared, unexpected, and utterly unprovoked attack made upon me in Council in December last, by His Excellency the Governor and by the Colonial Secretary, because I endeavoured to obtain for the Members of Council and for the public information on public affairs to which they were entitled and which the Government should not withhold but should communicate unasked.

Will you bear with me while I try to give a brief history of the Petition to the House of Commons. It aimed at obtaining a reasonable share of local government, so far as was consistent with Imperial interests. Such a concession would have given the desired control over local and municipal matters, as well as a consultative voice on Imperial questions, but such rights were to be subject to the Governor's veto, the paramount control resting with the Imperial Government. These privileges are enjoyed by other Crown Colonies, of far less importance than Hongkong, viz., Malta, Cyprus, Mauritius, British Honduras, and others. If conceded to Hongkong and subject to the Governor's veto, they could be no more dangerous here than the rights extended to the Colonies before mentioned, or to the much greater ones of self-government in Cape Colony, where also there is an overwhelming preponderance of the native element.

On my departure from Hongkong for Europe in May, 1894, further signatures were being added to the copies lying at various public places in the Colony, and Mr. Francis, Q.C., undertook to forward the Petition in due course. The Bubonic Plague developed at that time, and soon thereafter attained grave demensions, very largely in consequence of vast accumulations of filth which official negligence alone had permitted. The Sanitary Board could not be held to blame under the circumstances as the Government had persistently withheld from the Board the adequate staff and machinery to carry on the necessary work, and effect the pressing and urgently required sanitary reforms. Mr. Francis' time and energies were completely absorbed with the responsible and heavy duties devolving upon him in his position as Chairman of the Permanent Committee of the Board, and, in consequence, the forwarding of the Petition was delayed. It did not reach England until 24th September, 1894, when Parliament was in vacation, and the House did not resume its sittings until 5th February, 1895.

I may here be permitted to remark that the Community is under great obligations to the Members of the Permanent Committee of the Sanitary Board and to the selfsacrificing labors of the soldiers, sailors, and civilians who voluntarily battled with the disease, and for their invaluable services, for it was mainly their strenuous efforts and theirs alone which broke the neck of the plague.

Soon after the opening of Parliament Mr. Henniker-Heaton asked certain questions, and presented our Petition to the Commons on 21st March of last year. Mr. Henniker-Heaton's endeavours on behalf of Hongkong were many and unceasing, his great services were most cheerfully rendered, and he thoroughly deserves your hearty and most grateful thanks. At the Honourable Member's special request our memorial was read by the clerk of the House, Sir Reginald Palgrave, though such a course is contrary to the usual practices of the House.

On the same evening I addressed a letter to the *Times*, advocating to the best of my ability your just and reasonable claims, but owing to pressure upon its columns it could not then spare space. Shortly afterwards, however, a brief leader appeared in its columns in connection with our Petition, containing inaccurate and misleading statements. I thereupon asked for a fair field, and appealed to the *Times* and the traditions of that great paper for a full and patient hearing. The Colonial Editor granted me several meetings, mentioned that they regarded their information as reliable when their editorial was written, and that at the Colonial Office it was understood the Home Government had decided to grant two more Unofficial Members on our Legislative Council. I was led to believe that if a condensed letter was sent in, the *Times* would endeavour to find space for it, and this, dated 10th April last, appeared in their issue of the 16th of that month.

Lord Ripon, then Colonial Minister, granted me three interviews, and at the first of these I understood from him that two more Unofficial Members would be appointed to the Legislative Council. At a later meeting His Lordship seemed less decided, but he *promised* that two Unofficial Members would be appointed to the Executive Council. He then further pledged himself to most favourably reconsider our claim for the appointment of two more Unofficial Members to the Legislature.

On the 9th of May I had the honour of addressing the Members of the Colonial Party in one of the Committee rooms of the House of Commons on the subject of the Petition, and it is gratifying to know that we have the earnest sympathy and warm support in our endeavours for reform, of many Members of Parliament, including Sir John Gorst, Mr. Henniker-Heaton, Sir George Baden-Powell, General Sir J. Bevan Edwards, Mr. Arnold Foster, Mr. W. W. McArthur, Junior Lord of the Treasury in the late Governmen, Mr. E. R. P. Moon, Mr. J. F. Hogan, the Secretary of the Colonial party in the House, and others.

Mr. Sydney Buxton, M.P., under Secretary for the Colonies in the last Parliament, I also saw repeatedly, and before leaving home I wrote to him as follows on 18th May last :—

"Dear Mr. Buxton,

"On the eve of my return to the Far East *viâ* America and Canada, I feel it my duty to again thank you most heartily for your unvarying kindness to me during my stay in this country."

"I am returning to Hongkong with the full assurance that the small concessions foreshadowed by Lord Ripon, at the interview which His Lordship honoured me with on Saturday, 11th instant, will be granted in a generous spirit. These are two Unofficial Members on the Executive Council and two more Unofficial Members on the Legislative Council. This is not what the people of Hongkong asked for, but it will strengthen the Local Colonial Government and leave the casting vote with the Governor. This small concession has taken a weight off my mind, &c., &c."

The lecture which I delivered in February of last year on "The critical position of British Trade with Oriental Countries," under the auspices of the Royal Colonial Institute, well repaid the labour its preparation involved, inasmuch as it proved to me a no mean education on one of the most important questions of the day, and provoked an exhaustive and weighty discussion.

At the first meeting of Council after my return, I asked the Government for the correspondence which had passed between the Home and Colonial Authorities, including the Colonial Secretary's exhaustive memorandum on our petition, but the Governor still withholds and refuses to publish the papers. From that day to this nothing further has been heard of your Petition, and no alteration whatever has been made in the constitution of either Council.

Permanent Officials in Downing Street dislike the growth of any influence calculated to decrease the powers and patronage they have hitherto so long exercised and enjoyed, hence their determined opposition to the British residents here being conceded any share in the administration of the ordinary and local affairs of the Island, and the cordial support they have received from the Authorities in the Colony. The combined action of the Home and Colonial Officials has, for the present, undoubtedly blocked the progress of our reform movement, which had the support of the vast majority of Hongkong's best men, including those who have a close acquaintance with local needs and requirements. I refer more particularly to men of the calibre of Mr. Thomas Jackson, who was among the first to sign the petition, and who has rendered very important service to the Colony over a long period of years. I well remember his informing me at the time that after careful perusal of the petition he considered it a very moderate and a very able document, and that he did not see how any independent man could have any objection to supporting it. That the opinions and wishes of such men—the chief mainstays and pillars of the Colony—should have been thwarted is to be deplored, but the seed which has been sown, though it may temporarily appear to have fallen on stony ground, will yet bring forth fruit in season. The worst feature is that we are unable to ascertain upon what grounds the local Government have opposed our Petition, or for what reasons the Colonial Office staff have joined forces with them. There is an absolute refusal to produce the correspondence which disables us from meeting the argument against us, either by denial, explanation or by concession. In spite, however, of temporary discouragement there is reason to hope for some success so long as the conspicuously able and enlightened Mr. Chamberlain, a man of action and a man of thought, a real living man, fills the post of Colonial Minister.

Hongkong was created a Crown Colony in 1841, and Captain Elliot, its first Administrator, wisely and rightly reconised that Hongkong could be made to prosper only by keeping sacredly inviolate its character as a free port, and by governing the Colonists on principles of constitutional liberty. It is to be regretted that Captain Elliot was called away for other service before he could give full effect to the principles on which he established the Government, and which unfortunately have not been continued.

There are increasing and almost daily proofs of the pressing and absolutely urgent necessity for a form of Government which will yield the British residents some voice in respect of their Communal affairs. Had this been granted in bygone years it is possible that the legacy of insanitation throughout the city which the present generation has fallen heir to might have been somewhat less onerous than it now is. The system of Government established in 1841 may then, when the Colony was in its infancy, have been the most convenient and the most suitable. With the totally different and altered circumstances, and the completely changing conditions of the times and things generally, the old system has grown inapplicable. It is also much too expensive.

Sir William Robinson, in July 1892, publicly informed the community that he had been the financial Saviour of three Colonies—Bahama, Barbadoes, and Trinidad—that he did not despair of rescuing Hongkong from its financial difficulties, and of meeting with success in his administration. His Excellency also held out hopes of being able to shew in a few months from that time a prospective annual saving in the cost of government of $60,000 a year. Has any such saving or retrenchment been accomplished? No; the cost of Government has risen from $547,650 in 1887 to $758,139 in 1891, and to the unprecedented amount of $983,352.86 for 1895. Instead of diminishing taxation it has had to be increased, to meet the ever-expanding cost of administration, and the Government's *half-hearted advocacy of the interests of the* Colony in respect of the Military Contribution has resulted in Hongkong being saddled with an inequitable and heavy charge far heavier than it wou'd have been had we possessed the advantages of a Municipal Council. See the memorandum of the Unofficial Members of Council to the Secretary of State for the Colonies of this date.

The meanest Roman citizen had the right of appealing to Cæsar against official oppression. In the modern British Empire the "Cæsar" to which we appeal is public opinion. Against that force happily it justice cannot long stand. It is studied by statesmen as anxiously as the winds and currents by sailors, and it controls even Parliament itself.

The desire on the part of the Hongkong people for a reasonable control over their Municipal affairs is most natural, for the sanitary condition of the city could not well be worse than it has been and unfortunately still is, while ingrained red tape and official routine is too much in evidence in most departments. The general position and outlook does not tend to create or inspire implicit confidence, and consequently new enterprises are thereby to some extent deterred from starting. Trade and local industries already established cannot claim to receive the due encouragement they deserve at the hands of officialism.

The belief is slowly but steadily gaining ground throughout the Colony that the Community will not rest satisfied until the British residents are allowed to enjoy the privilege of managing their Municipal and Sanitary affairs. There is nothing new or presumptuous in the movement in favour of Communal reform. Every Englishman, as a matter of course, looks for the privilege of being permitted to manage his Municipal affairs as it is his inalienable birthright, but it is denied him in Hongkong.

Speaking at the Royal Colonial Institute last month on "National Defence," Sir George Clarke said—

"Burke plainly foresaw what has now come to pass when he wrote—

'I was ever of opinion that every considerable part of the British dominions should be governed as a free country; otherwise, I knew that if it grew to strength and was favoured with opportunity, it would soon shake off the yoke intolerable in itself to all liberal minds, and less to be borne from England than from any country in the world.'

"Free institutions established in the Mother Country must, as Burke foretold, be reproduced and extended in her Colonies; but this knowledge was purchased by the nation at a heavy cost—the loss of America. It is perhaps because France and Germany, our rivals as colonising powers, have not yet attained to freedom as we understand the word, that they have so far entirely failed to create a single real Colony."

Summaries of several of the numerous grievances which the Mercantile and Chinese Community have given expression to from time to time, and on sundry occasions, commencing as far back as in 1842, are to be found in Dr. Eitel's recently published and most excellent History of Hongkong. (See pages 202, 225, 260-263, 322, 507, and 574.)

A Select Committee of the House of Commons was appointed in March, 1847, to enquire into British commercial relations with China, &c. The evidence and the report are interesting reading, and contain a serious and weighty condemnation of the administrative policy of the Government of Hongkong of that day.

The final report of the Parliamentary Committee urged upon the Imperial Government the following, among other recommendations :—

"That a share in the Administration of the ordinary and local affairs of the Island be given by some system of Municipal Government to the British residents."

Dr. Eitel in his very able History of Hongkong, previously referred to, says at page 274 :—"As to a British Municipal Council, it has to be noted that the history of this period (1873) emphatically contradicts one great objection to it, which Sir G. Bonham formulated by asserting that out here in the East there is no leisured class, and that men of standing possess neither time nor inclinaton to devote to the interests of the public. The long continued and varied activity in purely public affairs displayed during this period by individuals like J. Dent, Ph. Ryrie, J. Whittall, W. Keswick, and others, and most particularly the large share of attention and time which the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce devoted to questions of general policy, gives the lie to the assertion that the commercial men of this Colony are unwilling to sacrifice their time and their strength to the management of communal affairs."

In addition to these the following names may be mentioned—Sir Thomas Sutherland, M.P., Mr. Richard Rowett, Mr. Bulkley Johnson, and there are others of whom any Community has reason to specially and justly feel proud. Hongkong owes much of its material progress and importance to the great qualities with which Providence has endowed the Anglo-Saxon race, to the vigorous and continuous development of these qualities by successive generations, to the zealous industrial enterprise and the conspicuous commercial ability of its citizens, many of whom shew an almost unparalled record of unabated activity.

It is to be regretted that successive Governors have not deemed it expedient to base their policy on the recommendations of the Parliamentary Committee of 1847, or to administer the Government on popular principles, and to systematically sacifice the individual views of Departments, which could have been done with advantage to the ratepayers as was evidenced during Sir George Bonham's governorship, without any sacrifice to the dignity of the Government. The Policy of the Government in connection with Sanitary matters generally, the Sanitary Board, and its reconstruction, is unsatisfactory and is in every respect unworthy of an enlightened administration, completely at variance with the spirit of the times in which we live and move, and, I believe, contrary to public opinion and to the wishes of the majority of the residents, and absolutely opposed to the Recommendations of the Parliamentary Committee of 1847.

Public men do well to remember and to recognise the fact that the "Press" is now a great social, political and moral power. It reflects public opinion and it also reflects the nation. It appeals to the sense and the judgment of the people, and its influence and teaching inspire the world. It cannot be disregarded, even by the Premier of England if he would, comprehend the character of our United Kingdom, or the nature of the processes by which the actions of a mighty Empire are directed. The just criticisms and the just censures of the "Press" are invaluable. They are the mirror through which man can acquire knowledge and can learn how to amend his faults, to avoid errors, utilise his abilities whatever they may be, and make them more available for doing more perfectly that which his hand findeth to do. The Hongkong Press has unanimously condemned the Government's retrograde policy *in re* the Sanitary Board.

The Governor in his opening address to the Council in November, 1894, said :—

"That a Sanitary Board meeting once a fortnight could properly control and direct such a staff (the Sanitary staff) I do not believe, and that four or five independent gentlemen could be found who have the time and inclination to devote several hours daily to such a task is beyond the bounds of possibility."

I would earnestly urge and strenuously entreat the Government to look to Shanghai and there see a system of Municipal Administration and one economically managed, which inspires implicit confidence, and which is wisely directed on thoroughly sound business principles by practical business men, members of the Mercantile Community and men of common sense, without the aid of a Governor, and without the expense of an army of Officials, giving good sanitation, unlimited freedom to foreigner and native, unrivalled expansion and prosperity in local industrial enterprise, profitable results in every direction, and at every turn, not surpassed anywhere in the wide world, and very seldom equalled. As to the quality and capacity of Hongkong men I would refer to the Colonial Secretary's recent speeches, and the high character he entertains regarding them.

I would beseech His Excellency to reconsider the question, publish all the papers, in connection with the Sanitary Board's Original construction and reconstruction, and endeavour, if possible, to sympathise with the views of the ratepaying community, and with what they deem to be best for their own interests.

Your hearty and welcome words of encouragement, and of appreciation of my work, in spite of the many drags and the many clogs on the wheels of local progress will but inspire me with fresh vigour and increased energy. I realise in a deep sense your having honoured me with a renewal of your confidence. In addition thereto, it is gratifying to possess, as I conscientiously do, the full conviction that notwithstanding my many shortcomings and the numerous mistakes I have made, my actions have ever been prompted by the desire to do only that which I believed to be most conducive to the public good and for the welfare of the Community. While I have the pleasure of residing amongst you, my fellow-citizens may rest assured that I shall avail myself of every opportunity and will use every contitutional means to help forward the much-needed cause of Reform in our antiquated system of government. To endeavour to contribute, in however small a degree, to promoting the general interests of the Colony, in which I have had the good fortune to spend many of the best years of my life, is, I feel, my bounden duty. Such work tends to fit man for a life of some usefulness in the future, and it is assuredly a refreshing stimulus and a strong incentive to intellectual life. To each and all of the signatories I offer my heartfelt thanks for their unexpected Address and kind words of welcome. They afford me unmingled gratification, and let me assure you they are deeply and highly appreciated.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) T. H. WHITEHEAD.

Messrs. G. B. DODWELL and G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

1ST BATTALION RIFLE BRIGADE.

Major A. R. Pemberton, of the Rifle Brigade, having very generously presented a Cup to be shot for annually by the officers of the Battalion, the competition took place on the Kowloon ranges yesterday. The conditions attached to the Cup are as follows :—The Cup is presented in commemoration of the ninety-fifth anniversary of the raising of the regiment, and is to remain the property of the Officers' Mess, 1st Bn. Rifle Brigade. It may be as well to mention here, that "95" was the original number of the Regiment before it was called "The Rifle Brigade."

Each year's winner's name is to be engraved on the Cup.

Distances: 200, 500 and 600 yards, kneeling at 200 and lying down (prone) at the other two.

Lieut. Power and Capt. Bethune tied with 89, but Lieut. Power's score at 600 being the best, he won the Cup for the year 1895.

The following are the best scores :—

	200	500	600	Total.
and Lieut. D. Power	30	31	28	89
Capt. Patton Bethune	30	33	26	89
Capt. W. V. Kerslake	28	30	26	84
Capt. A. G. Ferguson	29	31	27	87
Qr. Mr. L. Hoey	29	28	27	78

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

German (*Sachsen*) to-morrow.
French (*Sydney*) 14th inst.
Indian (*Arracoon Apcar*) 14th inst.
American (*Belgic*) 15th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 20th inst.
American (*Peru*) 26th inst.

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WE are informed by the Agents of the Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co. that the Company's steamer *Maria Valeria* left Singapore this morning for this port.

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THE M. M steamer *Sydney*, with the French mail of the 13th March, left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. yesterday, and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst.

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THE Agents (Messrs Arnhold, Karberg & Co.) inform us that the "Rickmers" Line steamer *Delhi Rickmers*, from Europe, left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 6 p.m. yesterday to 6 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Benmohr	steamer,	from	Saigon.
Mackew	"	"	Bangkok.
Kaisar-i-Hind	"	"	Shanghai.
Velocity	barque	"	Honolulu.

Aggregating 5,831 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Ava	steamer	for	Saigon.
Formosa	"	"	Singapore.
Empress of China.	"	"	Vancouver.
Doric	"	"	America.
Chingtu	"	"	Japan.
Java	"	"	Shanghai.
Pakhoi	"	"	Taiwanfoo.
Ulysses	"	"	Shanghai.

Aggregating 18,939 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Tatlee	in	Kowloon	Dock.
Honam	"	"	"
Rhostna	"	"	"
Centurion (H.M.S.)	"	"	"
Freyr	"	"	"
Esmeralda	"	"	"
Mongkut	"	"	"
Otaru Maru	"	"	"
Asamor	"	"	"
Altmore	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Tacoma	"	"	"

The *L. & C. Express* reports that Messrs. Lobnitz and Co. (Limited), Renfrew, launched on 18th February a twin-screw ocean telegraph steamer for the Japanese Government. The vessel is fitted with all the latest appliances for laying and repairing telegraph cables, and is primarily intended to lay the Japan-Formosa cable. She has twin-screw triple expansion engines, made by the builders. The vessel has been built to the order of his Excellency T. Kato, Japanese Minister, through Mr. A. R. Brown, Japanese Consul, Glasgow, to Lloyd's Survey and Board of Trade passenger requirements, and under the superintendence of Mr. George M'Farlane, engineer, Glasgow, and Captain Perlam. On leaving the ways she was named *Okinawa Maru* by Mrs. James Dixon, Bothwell.

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SHIPPING REGULATIONS FOR TRADE AT UNOPENED PORTS IN JAPAN.

The law allowing Japanese vessels engaged in foreign trade to load and discharge cargo at unopen ports in Japan, recently passed by the Imperial Diet, was promulgated in the *Official Gazette* on March 28th, and reads as follows :—

I—Notice will be given by Imperial Ordinance at what unopen ports Japanese vessels engaged in foreign trade may load and discharge cargo.

II—The Customs Laws and Regulations shall be applied to the entry, clearance, loading and discharging of all vessels referred to in the above article.

III—Notification will be given by Imperial Ordinance when ports so opened for foreign trade are closed.

IV—This Law shall take effect on and after April 1st, 1896.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Hongkong April 8th.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts report as follows in their *Share List* issued at 5 p.m. to-day :—

The Easter holidays interferred a great deal with share transactions, but for the few days open to business the market has been very brisk and a decided improvement in the price of Yangtszes, Ropes and Punjoms has taken place.

Olivers Freehold Mines, Limited, have advertised their first meeting for the 11th instant.

The Dairy Farm Company, Limited, has called a meeting for the 11th instant, to consider whether the Company shall be wound up or reconstructed.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have been sold in small parcels at 190 per cent premium and are still offering at the rate. Nationals have again been placed at $31 and $32 and are wanted at the latter rate.

MARINE INSURANCES.—A small lot of Unions changed hands at $210 and $212½ and there are further buyers at the former rate. China Traders have been sold at $78, and $78½, and $79. Yangtszes have boomed to $160 with only a few sales at $150. It is rumoured that the Company will pay a dividend of $12 for 1895. Straits have been in strong demand for the North with the result that the stock has improved to $27½, at which rate there are buyers.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong Fires have been placed at $340 and for June at $348. China Fires have advanced one point and have been bought at $97.

SHIPPING—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been fixed at $33⅓. Indo Chinas have improved their position and sales at $70 have been effected. China and Manilas are wanted at $65. Douglas shares are neglected at $52.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have weakened slightly and sales at $124 and $125 have taken place. Luzons remain quiet at $69.

MINING.—Punjoms have had a further boom, and sales at rates between $8⅞ and $14 have been made, the market closing quieter with sellers at $14½. The Preference shares have been sold at $3.10. A telegram received from the Mine states that the mill ran for 28 day during March, crushing 1,000 tons, yielding 535 ounces of smelted gold. Twenty-three tons of concentrates were calcined, yielding 120 ozs. of gold. Total output for month 655 ounces. New Balmorals keep steady at $2.80 and $2.90, at which rate a good many shares have changed hands. Jelebus are wanted at $3⅞ but there are none offering. Raubs have hardened, and after sales at $5⅛ are wanted at the rate. Olivers B. shares have been sold at $2.75 and are enquired for.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have had a further rise and after sales at 178 per cent. premium are reported to have been done at 180 per cent. premium; the market, however, is no better than 178 per cent premium. Kowloon Wharf shares sold at $47 and are offering at the rate.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have been on strong demand and a good many shares have been placed at $73 and $73½. Kowloon Lands are inquired for at $18. Hongkong Hotels have been sold at $25. Humphreys' Estate have been placed at $9⅞ and are offering.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements have been placed in small lots at $16. H. G. Browns are wanted at $5. A. S. Wattons have been taken off the market at $13. Hongkong Electrics have changed hands at $7.10 and $7.15. Rope shares have improved considerably and have been fixed at rates between $190 and $195. Geo. Fenwicks have been sold at $26 and a few are offering at the rate. Ices have been bought at $105 and Tramways at $95. Dairy Farms are enquired for at $4.

HOW DID THE THIEF GET IN?

You wake up some morning and miss your watch, your purse, your best clothes and other valuables. Yet neither you nor any member of your family heard a sound during the night. Neither is there a sign of how the thief got into the house nor by what road he decamped. You rush round and tell the police, and also decide to keep a dog and a shot gun. You will let thieves know they mustn't come fooling around your premises after this. A sensible procedure. Meanwhile your watch, your money, &c., are gone. Quite so.

Now suppose I should tell you that the thief who stole your property never entered your house at all; that he was born in it; had lived twenty years in it; never had been out of it till he went off with your things, albeit not a soul of you had ever seen or heard of him. What would you say to me? You would call me an idiot and threaten to have me sent back to the asylum. But don't be too sure.

"Later on," says Mr. Heakin, "rheumatism struck into my system and I had pains all over me. I was confined to my bed for three months with it and could not dress myself. In this general condition I continued for five years. One after another I was treated by *fourteen doctors* in that time, but their medicines did me little or no good. At one time I went to the Infirmary at Shrewsbury, where they treated me for heart disease; but I got worse and feeling anxious, returned home."

How he was finally cured we will mention in a minute. First, however, about his rheumatism. Every intelligent person knows that rheumatism and gout (its twin brother) is virtually a universal ailment. It does its cruel and body-racking work in every country and climate. No other malady causes so vast an aggregate of suffering and disability. Whatever will cure it is worth more money in England than a gold mine in every country.

But does rheumatism "strike into" the system as a bullet or a knife might strike into it? No. Rheumatism is a thief, who steals away our comfort and strength; but it is a thief, as I said, who is *born on the premises*. In other words, it is one—and only one—of the direct consequences of indigestion and dyspepsia. And this is the why and wherefore: Indigestion creates a poison called uric acid; this acid combines with the chloride of sodium to form a salt; this salt is urate of sodium, which is deposited in the form of *sharp crystals* in the muscles and joints. Then comes inflammation and agony, otherwise rheumatism. Thus you perceive that it doesn't come from the outside but from the inside—from the stomach. Our friend's cold, caught in the mine, didn't produce his rheumatism, it clogged his skin and so kept all the poison in his body instead of letting part of it out.

Here is our very good friend Mr. Richard Heakin, of Pentervin, Salop, who expresses an opinion in this line. Let us have his exact words. He says: "*Rheumatism struck into my system.*" Of course we understand that he speaks after the manner of men. You know we talk of being "attacked" by this, that, and the other complaint, as though diseases were like soldiers or wild beasts. "Doesn't make any odds," do you say? Beg pardon, but it does—heavy odds. *For it teaches us to look in the wrong direction for disease.* Do you see now?

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Mr. Heakin adds:—"I was cured at last by Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and without it I believe I should have been dead long ago."

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(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

"HOHENZOLLERN,"

Captain P. Wettin, will leave for the above Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 9th instant.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [600

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN,"

Captain H. Supmer, due here with the outward German Mail about the 8th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [600

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to RED SEA PORTS, MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"DOROTHEA RICKMERS,"

Captain Pape, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [461

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"HARROW,"

Captain Smith, will be despatched as above on or about SUNDAY, the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April 1896 [615

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DARDANUS,"

Captain Gregory, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 13th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1896. [553

Intimations.

"ANGEL" BRAND.

SWISS (CONDENSED) MILK.

Which, through its RICHNESS in CREAM and UNIFORMITY of QUALITY, has obtained the Largest Sale in Great Britain. It can be used for all purposes of FRESH MILK.

$2.25 DOZEN.

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APOTHECARIES' HALL, 66, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1896. [52

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Shipping.

STEAMERS.

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FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENARTNEY,"

Captain Gedye, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April 1896. [507

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA

THE Company's Steamship

"OANFA,"

J. Davies, Commander, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1896. [627

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Chartered Steamship

"OCAMPO,"

Captain Hawkins, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 11th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [581

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.
(Subject to Alteration.)

Altmore	Wednesday.....	15th April.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"ALTMORE,"

will be despatched hence for HONOLULU, VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, *via* KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on WEDNESDAY, the 15th April.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE; and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1896. [562

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND HOLLAND, VIA STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF CALL.

(Taking transhipment Cargo for LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, &c.)

THE Company's Steamship

"PINGSUEY,"

D. Davies, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 21st instant, to be followed a week later by the "TEENKAI."

For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [608

JAVA, CHINA JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.
(Subject to Alterations.)
JAVA, HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AMOY, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. *Cassius*.....	To JAVA.....	April.
S.S. *Federation*	To JAVA.....	May.
S.S. *Germania*.....	To JAVA.....	June.
S.S. *Federation* ...	To JAPAN ...	April.
S.S. *Germania*.....	To JAPAN ...	May.
S.S. *Cassius*.....	To JAPAN ...	June.

General Agents for China & Japan,
LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1896. [395

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KURRACHEE, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, FIUME, AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT and ADRIATIC PORTS, to NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN.)

THE Company's Steamship

"ELEKTRA,"

Captain F. Cossovich, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 9th instant.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 P.M. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [488

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.

THE Company's Steamship

"TURBO,"

Captain J. Moses, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th April.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1896. [547

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"

Captain Galsworthy, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [612

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Steamship

"MEMNON,"

Captain Branch, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [630

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PRIAM,"

Captain C. Jackson, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 19th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1896. [615

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. L British Ship

"QUEEN ELIZABETH,"

Fulton, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1896. [355

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE American Barque

"COLOMA,"

Norris, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd March 1896. [445

FOR NEW YORK.

THE *100 A1 American Iron Ship

"T. F. OAKES,"

E. W. Reed, Master, shortly expected from the North, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [413

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/5 L.L.I. American Ship

"TAM O'SHANTER,"

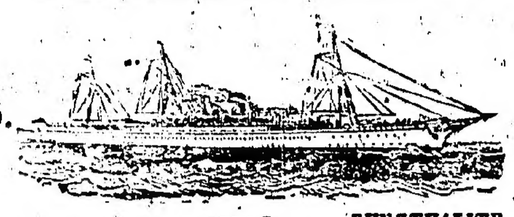
Peabody, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [571

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

1896.  1896.

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 29th April.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 20th May.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 10th June.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, *via* Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong *via* Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [3

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE;
VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....	Saturday, 25th April, at Noon.
Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	Wednesday, 13th May, at Noon.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....	Saturday, 30th May, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 25th April, 1896, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [2

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

SANITARY SOFT SOAP. JEYES FLUID THE BEST DISINFECTANT. DISINFECTANT SOAPS.

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Bank Buildings

Hongkong, 9th March, 1896. [9

Mails.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"KAISAR-I-HIND,"

Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., TO-MORROW, the 9th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *Caledonia*, leaving that port on the 2nd May for London direct.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to
ALF. WOOLLEY,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [431

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON $400.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK $350.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA $225.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Tacoma	2,549	Sunday ...	April 12.
Victoria	3,167	Thursday..	April 30.
Olympia	2,608	Monday ...	May 18.

THE Steamship

"TACOMA,"

Captain R. Crawford, sailing at Noon, on SUNDAY, the 12th April, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., *viâ* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1896. 4

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen.....	Tuesday ...	28th April.
Karlsruhe.....	Tuesday ...	26th May.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday ...	23rd June.
Preussen	Tuesday ...	21st July.
Sachsen.....	Tuesday ...	18th August.
Karlsruhe.....	Tuesday ...	15th Sept.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday ...	13th Oct.
Preussen	Tuesday ...	10th Nov.

ON TUESDAY, the 28th day of April, 1896, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 25th April. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 27th April, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 27th April. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [600

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Thursday, 16th April, at Noon.
Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....	Sunday, 3rd May, at Daylight.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Thursday, 21st May, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CHINA"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 16th April, 1896, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [1

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,

PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG,

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DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES.
&c., &c., &c.

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ALWAYS IN STOCK
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Hongkong, 26th July, 1895. [4

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